

HIGH COSTS LAID TO HUGE CAR SHORTAGE

Trucking Expenses Here Also
Blamed by President of New
York Central.

CITY LACKS WAREHOUSES

Harlem With 1,000,000 People
Has Railroad Facilities of
a Town of 10,000.

As a result of the controversy over the trucking situation, which has caused several city organizations to begin a campaign to break the many small strikes now being carried on, A. H. Smith, president of the New York Central Railroad, issued a statement yesterday saying that one of the principal causes of the high cost of living was the fact that the railroads of the United States are short 100,000 freight cars, 2,000 locomotives and 4,000 passenger cars. He said that it would cost \$100,000,000 at present prices to purchase this equipment. He blamed high prices of food also on lack of warehouses in New York and inadequate rail facilities.

"It costs more to handle a barrel of flour in the city of New York in its first handling by motor truck than it does to transport it from Chicago to New York," said Mr. Smith. "In Harlem, with a population of about 1,000,000, there are railroad facilities of a town of 10,000. As a consequence freight is hauled past three or four times down town at one cent a ton a mile and hauled back again by truck at a cost of about 50 cents a ton a mile."

Alfred E. Harding of the Chamber of Commerce said yesterday that such a move might precipitate a general strike. John Quinn, president of Local 807 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, said that about 95 per cent of the truck drivers are unemployed and that they are being forced to work for less than they are worth.

Isaac Goldberg, chairman of the Dock Committee of the New York Team Owners' Association, said that the main reason for the shortage of trucks on docks and piers is that the railroad companies are running only at 50 per cent of normal and that they have not sufficient employees to handle the business that is offered to them.

"In addition," said Goldberg, "they maintain that they are unable to secure cars and floats to receive all that is tendered to them, which results in maintaining a line of trucks at the piers waiting for the opportunity to discharge their freight into the railroad companies' warehouses. Often trucks remain all night at the piers after being there all day."

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\$200,000 Wasted Here Daily.

"In New York," he said, "we have a striking example of what shortage of facilities means to the cost of foodstuffs. It is said that \$200,000 a day is wasted in this city because of the method of distribution, and every person on Manhattan Island pays a part of this unnecessary cost. New York needs better warehousing and railroad facilities. It requires conditions where eggs can be unloaded directly into the warehouses to economize in the cost of handling and distribution and to protect the population in time of abnormal conditions."

"During the days of the recent strike troubles affecting harbor movements and switching the West Side tracks were called the life line of New York. There in five days the Central unloaded 1,640 carloads of food, about a pound a day for every man, woman and child in the city. The West Side should be built up with storerooms. Trucking in the streets would be reduced and the cost of the streets restricted, because it would then be necessary to move only that required for the city's use, and all freight for reshipment would move directly from warehouses into cars."

M'CALL APPOINTED ON TRADE COMMISSION

Massachusetts Ex-Governor
Gets Place Burton Declined.

Special to THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD. WASHINGTON, May 6.—Samuel W. McCall, former Governor of Massachusetts, was appointed today by President Wilson to membership on the Federal Trade Commission to fill the vacancy created by the resignation a year ago of Dr. F. W. Taussig.

Mr. McCall was chosen in place of Theodore S. Burton, formerly Senator from Ohio, whose nomination was sent to the Senate several weeks ago, but who declined the position. The President inquired of Mr. McCall in advance if the position would be acceptable and he replied that it would. Mr. McCall is a Republican. The post carries a salary of \$7,500 a year.

Flour Sets New High Record.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 6.—Flour made a new high record here today with an advance of 50 cents a barrel. An advance yesterday which was a good steady demand is the reason ascribed for the increase. Today's quotation—\$16 a barrel when sold in 98 pound sacks in carload lots—represents an advance of \$2 a barrel for standard flour in a month.

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HARBOR STRIKE STILL TIES UP CITY COAL

Ample Supply in Jersey, but
Tugmen Won't Haul It.

Although there is plenty of coal for New York at Perth Amboy and other New Jersey coal ports the gas companies, power companies and city gas-works are still struggling to get a ton of coal to the city because of the harbor strike. Only about one-third of the normal number of coal barges is now being loaded and the coal is being piled up at the New York side of the Hudson River every day.

The coal wharves are well manned and there are plenty of men to load and unload coal, but the tug services of the various railroads are still crippled and the independent tug owners, whose boats do 90 per cent of the coal barge towing, cannot now tow these boats because their employees declare that a new strike will result. The tugmen say they will not tow barges loaded by non-union men to piers where non-union men have taken the places of strikers.

There is no coal famine here at present, thanks to the mild weather and the resulting decrease in coal demand in office buildings, hotels and apartment houses. The subway cars are no longer heated by artificial means. Therefore all the tug boats can be drafted into coal towing duty are fetching barges to the public service corporations for the purchase of power generation. At the Merchants Association and at the City Water Gas Exchange offices yesterday it was declared that the advent of milder weather prevented a general shutdown of many factories and power plants and a return to war time light, heat and transportation schedules.

TWO MORE ARRESTS MADE IN FOOD FIGHT

Brooklyn Managers of Morris
& Co. Held for Violation
of Lever Act.

The managers of the two Brooklyn branches of Morris & Co., Chicago meat packers, were arrested yesterday by the "flying squad" of the Department of Justice. These arrests complete the Government's case against the "Big Five" packers in Brooklyn, agents of Armour, Swift, Cudahy and Wilson already having been arrested and indicted in similar actions.

George William Ehlers, manager of the Morris branch at 154 Port Green place, and James E. Nash, manager at 1261 Mets street, were arrested by agents of the United States Commissioner McCall, who held them in \$2,500 bail each on charges of violating the Lever food control act.

The complaint, Anatol L. Rodan of the "flying squad," said that the main reason for the shortage of trucks on docks and piers is that the railroad companies are running only at 50 per cent of normal and that they have not sufficient employees to handle the business that is offered to them.

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RAILROADS DEMAND HALF BILLION MORE

Company Executives Say That
Money Is Needed to Finance
New Construction.

CROPS MUST BE MOVED

226,000 Freight Cars and
3,000 Locomotives Among
Items Mentioned.

Special to THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD. WASHINGTON, May 6.—Immediate financial necessities of the railroads demand an advance of \$500,000,000 from the Government this year. In addition to the \$300,000,000 revolving fund provided by the recent railroad legislation, according to statements today by a committee of leading railroad executives before the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce. The money is needed to finance construction of new freight and passenger cars and locomotives. These are absolutely necessary if the year's crops are to be moved. If they are not forthcoming the year will bring the most serious congestion ever known, said the railroad executives.

The railroad men's committee, headed by President Edward B. Brown of the Pere Marquette road, chairman, L. P. Loeve of the Delaware and Hudson, Henry Walters of the Atlantic Coast Line, A. H. Smith of the New York Central, C. H. Markham of the Illinois Central, E. J. Pearson of the New Haven and Samuel Rea of the Pennsylvania.

When the Cummins-Isaac railroad bill passed it provided a revolving fund of \$300,000,000 to finance various railroad betterments and expansions. A committee of the railroads undertook the distribution of this fund, with a view to making it accomplish the most, and found that from \$125,000,000 to \$175,000,000 would be available for new locomotives and cars. But vastly more is needed.

A survey of these needs for all the railroads shows they should have 25,000 new freight cars, 5,000 passenger cars and 2,000 locomotives, costing \$150,000,000. This is far more than could be produced in the next year, but since January 1 orders have been placed for 27,776 freight cars and 518 locomotives. Even this will absorb more than the amount available in the revolving fund, making it necessary to issue equipment trust certificates for the balance. But the market will not absorb these certificates. Money is costing 7 1/2 and 8 per cent, and even at such figures bankers inform the railroads that not over \$100,000,000 can be taken. There seems no alternative out for the Government to make the provision.

For four or five years the railroads have been unable to maintain their normal rate of equipment expansion. Few roads had any considerable cash on hand when they were returned to the companies. The builders could turn out 100,000 freight cars in the coming year and the railroads could make 50,000 more in their own shops if the operation could be financed. The locomotive works could produce 1,000 to 5,000 locomotives in the year on the same condition. It would cost \$610,000,000 to take the equipment that could be produced in the year, and as it is desperately needed the railroads must conclude to ask Congress to help them.

Advance in Freight Rates Urged.

"Why not go to Glenn Plumb and get some of the 4 per cent money he talks about?" suggested Senator Pomeroy (Ohio) at the hearing today.

Mr. Brown explained that the income taxes had absorbed the money commonly available for this kind of investment.

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Investigation of Board's
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